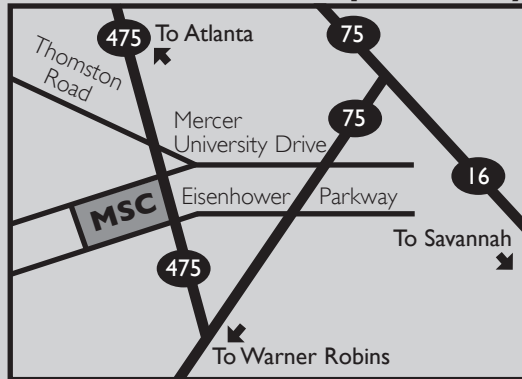


Directions to the Adoption Party



From the north:

Take I-75 south to I-475. I-475 south to Exit 3. Turn right onto Eisenhower Parkway, U.S. Hwy 80. Macon State College is 1/4 mile on the right.

From the south:

Take I-75 north to I-475. I-475 north to Exit 3. Turn left onto Eisenhower Parkway, U.S. Hwy 80. Macon State College is 1/3 mile on the right.

From the east:

Take I-16 west to I-75 south. I-75 south to Eisenhower Parkway, U.S. Hwy 80. Turn right onto Eisenhower Parkway. Macon State College is located approximately 4 miles west on Eisenhower Parkway. After going under I-475, Macon State College is 1/4 mile on the right.

From the west:

Take U.S. Hwy 80 to Macon. Macon State College is on the left, 1/4 mile before I-475.

The party is in the rehearsal hall in building M/I, which is on the east side of campus.

Contacting us:

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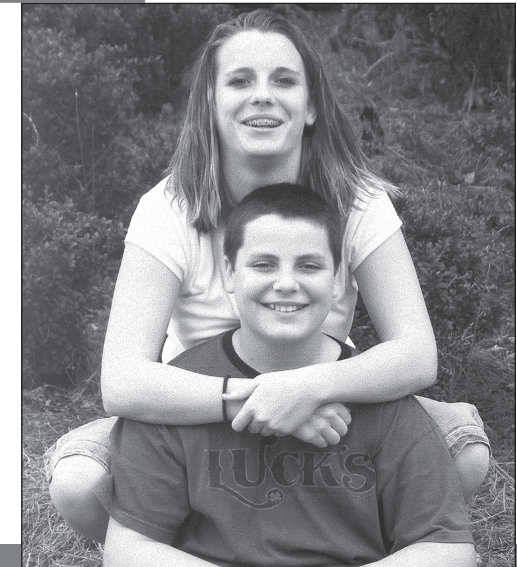
For more information about adoption in Georgia call the adoption hotline toll-free, at **(877) 210-KIDS**, or check the website **www.adoptions.dhr.state.ga.us**.

Thank you for your interest in adoption!

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Adoption VIDEO CONFERENCE & PARTY

All are welcome to attend!



Saturday, August 5, 2006
from 10 a.m. to Noon

(party in Macon ends at 12:30 p.m.)

The adoption videoconference and party are a collaborative effort of the Georgia DHR Division of Family and Children Services and Lumpe & Frost, a DHR Division of Family and Children Services contractor.



August 5th

PLAN TO ATTEND

and meet the child (or children) who may be right for your family.

Q&As

What's an adoption videoconference?

1

A videoconference is interactive television; it introduces waiting children to families. It is like a high-tech adoption party where you can meet and interact with children from parts of the state other than yours, via TV. These children are all in need of adoptive families, and we hope to make adoptive matches and placements with the help of this technology and the party.

May I ask the children questions?

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Yes, the system is interactive. It allows participants at each site to see and speak with participants at other sites. We ask that you keep the questions non-threatening. For example: "I've heard you love school...can you tell me some projects that were really fun for you to work on?" is more appropriate than, "we have a daughter who is a little older than you, would you like to have a big sister?" There is an adoption representative present at each site to help with questions.

Where is it held?

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The party will be held in the rehearsal hall located in building M/I at Macon State College, 100 College Station Road. Directions are on this brochure. If you are unable to attend the party in Macon, we will have videoconference sites around the state (see "Sites") where you may attend and meet the children via videoconference. **For more information, and to register for this event, please call Regional Adoption Coordinators Gwen Lee at (478) 445-0643 or Paula Dixon at (478) 275-6747 by August 4th.**

Plan to attend and meet some kids like Kindra and Victor



Kindra, 14, is an energetic and healthy high school student who loves to participate in sports and socialize with her friends. Her foster mother says that she is a sweet and polite child who listens well. Kindra has participated in soccer and cheerleading and would like to try softball, so she is seeking an adoptive family who will allow her to be involved in extra curricular activities. She also needs a loving home environment with a family who enjoys spending family time with teenagers.

Her brother Victor, 12, is a sociable and healthy middle school student who enjoys watching Nascar racing and playing ball in the yard. He would love the opportunity to play in organized sports. Victor wants a "loving and kind hearted" family who will be consistent with him in schoolwork and discipline.

Kindra and Victor currently live in separate foster homes placements and are doing well. **To learn more about Kindra and Victor please contact Leah Waters at Pike County DFCS, (770) 567-8427.**

Attending

At the event:

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You will receive a list of do's and don'ts and a brief orientation to help guide you through the day.

You'll also get a listing of children expected to attend, their ages, interests and their case manager's name and phone number for future contact. Typically 15-20 children, most between the ages of 5 and 15, will be present.

The children's case managers are usually available to answer your questions at these events.

The only children who should be present at the adoption party are the children who are in need of adoptive families. Having other children at these events causes confusion and more importantly, takes attention away from the children who are hoping that they will become part of a permanent family soon. Feel free to bring other children to the videoconference sites.

Sites

Videoconference sites:

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Albany: Albany State University, James Pendergrast Memorial Library, Room 110. Contact Barbara Taylor for more information at (229) 248-3941.

Atlanta: Fulton County Department of Health & Wellness, Aldredge Building, 99 Jesse Hill Jr., Drive in downtown Atlanta (across from Grady Hospital, use entrance next to the parking garage on Gilmer). Contact Jessie Swan at (770) 603-4774 or Cindy Teate at (404) 229-8955 for more information.

Augusta: Medical College of Georgia, AK143 (it is the second one-story building from the corner of Laney Walker Blvd and R.A. Dent Blvd directly across from the new cancer center). Contact Dan Almeter at (706) 771-5890 for more information.

Columbus: Columbus State University, Stanley Hall, Room 106. Contact Loraine Douglas for more information at (706) 649-7462.

Savannah: Armstrong Atlantic State University, University Hall, Room 114. Contact Brenda Martz for more information at (912) 576-1316.

If you are curious about specific children who will be in attendance, or for more information about the sites listed above, **contact Lisa Lumpe, toll-free, at (877) 242-5774** or by email at lumpe@core.com.